

****Update-Names Released****

State Police Investigate Crash North of Georgetown

Presented by Public Information Officer, Master Corporal Gary Fournier



Octavio Barrios-Fuentes

Georgetown— The Delaware State Police are currently investigating a motor vehicle crash that occurred north of Georgetown at Donovans Salvage parking lot.

The investigation reveals the incident occurred around 2:47 p.m., Thursday August 4, 2016, as **Octavio Barrios-Fuentes**, 35 of Georgetown, was operating a 2001 Dodge Durango southbound on Donovans Road and failed to negotiate a sharp left curve. The Durango drove off the right side of the road and struck a 1999 Buick LeSabre parked in the parking lot of Donovans Salvage, located at 20262 Donovans Road. The initial impact between the two vehicles caused the LeSabre to rotate violently clockwise and strike Harvey T. Thornes, 36 of Millsboro, as he was walking by the car, throwing him into a 2006 Chevrolet Equinox, which was also parked in the lot. The LeSabre continued to rotate and strike a parked and detached food trailer that was occupied by Cynthia L. Brown, 50 of Lincoln, causing grease to spill out of the vats onto her. The Dodge Durango came to a stop on the grassy shoulder just south of the initial collision. Barrios-Fuentes then fled from the Durango down some nearby railroad tracks to a residence in Georgetown where he was taken into custody by troopers and Georgetown Police Department approximately 25 minutes later.

Harvey Thornes was flown to Christiana Medical Center where he is listed in stable condition with undetermined injuries.

Cynthia Brown was airlifted by State Police Aviation to Crozer-Chester Medical Center where she was admitted in stable condition with severe burns.

Octavio Barrios-Fuentes was transported to Troop4 where he was charged with two counts of Vehicular Assault 1st, Leaving the Scene of a Personal Injury Crash, Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol, Driving Without a Valid License, and various other traffic related offenses. He was arraigned at JP2 and committed to Sussex Correctional Institution on \$8,000.00 cash bond.

Donovans Road in the area of the Salvage yard was closed for approximately one hour while the crash was investigated and

clear.

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****Original Release****

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Preliminary investigation reveals the incident occurred around 2:47 p.m. today, Thursday August 4, 2016, as a 35-year-old male was operating a 2001 Dodge Durango southbound on Donovans Road and failed to negotiate a sharp left curve. The Durango struck a parked car in the parking lot of Donovans Salvage, located at 20262 Donovans Road, which in turn struck a male pedestrian. The parked vehicle was also pushed into a food truck parked in the parking lot injuring a female employee working inside the food truck. The 35-year-old operator then fled from the vehicle down some nearby railroad track to a residence in Georgetown where he was taken into custody approximately 25 minutes later.

The adult male pedestrian was flown to Christiana Medical Center where he is listed in stable condition with undetermined injuries.

The adult female employee in the parked food truck was airlifted to Crozer-Chester Medical Center where she was admitted in stable condition.

A more detailed release regarding the victim's ages and hometowns will be released upon the completion of the

investigation. Alcohol is suspected as a contributing cause of this crash and charges are forthcoming.

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